

## Build-a-Table Example

**Example: Create a table that contains data on full-time employees and full-time pay for local police employees in California in 2007.**

1. Select the radio button next to “Geography” and select “California” from the drop-down menu

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The U.S. Census Bureau conducts an annual survey of government employment as authorized by Title 13, United States Code. This survey measures the number of government civilian employees and their gross payrolls for one month. Data are for the month of March.

The Build-a-Table system will allow you to query the Census of Government Employment data from 1997, 2002, and 2007. All governments across the country were surveyed for the Census years.

There are three basic categories of data:

- **Level of Government:** State government data (all 50 states), local government data (county, municipality, township, special district, and school district data) or state and local government data combined.
- **Geography:** Data for a specific state or the District of Columbia.
- **Government Function:** Data on a specific government function, e.g., education, health, or highways.

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**Please select which category you would like to base your table on.**  
You must make one selection from one of the three basic categories.

☐ **Level of Government**

☒ **Geography**  

California

☐ **Government Function**

**Next**

2. Select “Next”
3. Select “2007” in the “Year” category
4. Select “Full-time Employees” and “Full-time Pay” in the “Variables” category
5. Select “All Local” in the “Level of Government” category
6. Select “Police Protection Total”, “Police Officers Only” and “Other Police Employees” from the “Government Function” category

Please select the variables you would like the table to display

Year

2002

1997

Add All >>

Add >

< Remove

<< Remove All

2007

Variables

Part-Time Employees

Part-Time Pay  
Total Employees  
Total Pay  
Full-Time Equivalent

Add All >>

Add >

< Remove

<< Remove All

Full-Time Employees

Full-Time Pay

Level of Government

State and All Local

State

Add All >>

Add >

< Remove

<< Remove All

All Local

Government Function

Total

Education Total  
Higher Education Instructional Employees  
All Other Higher Education  
Elementary and Secondary Instructional Employees  
All Other Elementary and Secondary Education

Add All >>

Add >

< Remove

<< Remove All

Police Protection Total

Police Officers Only  
Other Police Employees

7. Select "Submit"

8. The above steps will give you the following table

### California Government Employment and Payroll Data

By Level of Government and By Government Function: 2007

SOURCE: This table was user generated from the Census Bureau's Build-a-Table tool with data from the [Census of Government Employment](#).

For information about the data's sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, select the appropriate link.

Note: Data is in whole numbers.

		2007	
Function		Full-Time Employees	Full-Time Pay
All Local	Police Protection Total	89,208	\$620,362,978
	Police Officers Only	62,212	\$482,313,498
	Other Police Employees	26,996	\$138,049,480

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'N/A': Data is not applicable